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Applicant: Alexander AULBACH
Title: RETAINING DEVICE
Appl. No.: 10/024,516
Appl. Filing Date: 12/21/2001
Examiner: Ruth ILAN
Art Unit: 3616

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

Enclosed are:

[X] Submission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) (8 pages).

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$790.00	= \$790.00
Total Claims:	22	- 24	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	2	- 3	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$0.00
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- [X] Check No. 43354 in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c)

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 29, 2004, and the Advisory Action dated April 15, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: